

House Resolution 1927

By: Representative Stephens of the 164th

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending President and Chief Operating Officer of Chick-fil-A Mr. Dan
2 T. Cathy; and for other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, Mr. Dan T. Cathy represents the next generation of leadership in the
4 Atlanta-based, nationally acclaimed quick-service chicken restaurant chain Chick-fil-A; and

5 WHEREAS, founded by Mr. Cathy's father, S. Truett Cathy, Chick-fil-A is one of the
6 nation's largest family owned businesses that employs over 50,000 people nationwide at its
7 1,490 locations; and

8 WHEREAS, Mr. Cathy began his lifelong career at Chick-fil-A at the age of nine, singing
9 for customers and performing in radio commercials for the chain's original "Dwarf House"
10 restaurant in Hapeville, Georgia; and

11 WHEREAS, a native of Jonesboro, Mr. Cathy earned a bachelor's degree in business
12 administration from Georgia Southern University and, upon his graduation from college,
13 returned to Chick-fil-A as director of operations, opening more than 50 new Chick-fil-A
14 restaurants throughout the country; and

15 WHEREAS, Mr. Cathy served as senior director of operations, vice president of operations,
16 and executive vice president prior to being named the company's president and chief
17 operating officer in 2001; and

18 WHEREAS, as president and chief operating officer, Mr. Cathy travels to the chain's
19 growing family of restaurants to interact with Chick-fil-A's committed team of restaurant
20 operators and team managers and participates in the grand opening ceremonies for many new
21 locations; and

22 WHEREAS, his diligent and conscientious efforts have been recognized with the numerous
23 awards Chick-fil-A has recently received, including the restaurant's 16th Choice in Chains
24 Award from *Restaurant & Institution* magazine and a 22nd ranking in *BusinessWeek* and J.D.
25 Power and Associate's Top 25 Customer Service Champs which only included two restaurant
26 chains; and

27 WHEREAS, Mr. Cathy has been united in love and marriage for over 36 wonderful years to
28 his wife Rhonda and they have been blessed with two remarkable sons, Andrew and Ross;
29 and

30 WHEREAS, a dedicated community leader, Mr. Cathy has been recognized with numerous
31 honors and accolades, including a Buckhead Rotary Humanitarian of the Year Award in 2002
32 for his unyielding service to Georgia's communities; and

33 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the extraordinary accomplishments of
34 this distinguished Georgian be appropriately recognized.

35 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
36 the members of this body recognize Mr. Dan T. Cathy for his decades of exemplary service
37 and leadership to the Chick-fil-A corporation and commend his vision and commitment that
38 have helped make Chick-fil-A an American favorite.

39 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
40 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Mr. Dan T. Cathy.